

FISCAL NOTE

SB 1350 - HB 1339

April 3, 2007

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires licensed hospitals and birthing centers offer pregnant patients the option to donate, to a publicly accessible certified cord blood bank, blood extracted from the umbilical cord following the delivery of a newborn child if the donation can be made at no expense to the patient or hospital for collection or storage.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant

A more precise cost estimate is not possible because the Department of Health has not provided any information to assist in the preparation of this fiscal note.

Assumptions:

- The Department of Health will not incur a significant increase in state expenditures to work with hospitals and birthing centers to increase donations of umbilical cord blood.
- Any costs associated with the collection and storage of donated umbilical cord blood will be expended by the certified cord blood bank to which the donation was made.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director